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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 AND**  
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-final Office Action mailed on January 26, 2006,

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the period for response

to and including May 26, 2006. Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$120.00 as payment of the extension-of-time fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.